(b) if so, whether there is a fear amongst public in the country due to involvement of senior officers in serious offences;

(c) if so, the number of such cases come to the Government's notice; and

(d) the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) Government is aware of the complaints against IPS officers who get involved in crimes in various States.

(b) Since action is taken against guilty officers who are found involved in such crimes, there should not be any fear amongst the public.

(c) As per information made available by various State Governments, 97 IPS officers are facing departmental inquiry due to their involvement in criminal activities for the last three years.

(d) Complaints against involvement of IPS officers in criminal activities are duly investigated and those found guilty are punished as per the prescribed law of the land.

Terrorist incidents

4268. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL

DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) number of terrorist incidents occurred in Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years till 31 st March, 2003 alongwith the number of terrorists killed and names of their outfits, number of civilians and number of soldiers of security forces martyred in such incidents;

(b) the details of the fresh steps taken by Government to check terrorism and whether it has yielded any results; and

(c) whether 'POTA' has been successful in checking terrorism indicating its role therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) Number of terrorist incidents that occurred in J&K during the period 1.1.2000 to 31.3.2003 was 12342.

Number of terrorists, civilians and Security Forces killed during the period 1.1.2000 to 31.3.2003 was as under:

(1) Terrorists	5513
(2) Civilians	3043
(3) Security Forces	1436

The terrorists belong *inter-alia* to Jaish-e-Mohd, LeT, Al-Badr, and HM.

(b) In addition to continued diplomatic initiative at various levels and intensive pressure on terrorists in the hinterland, the Central Government conjointly with the State Government, has taken a series of steps to contain cross border terrorism perpetrated by the pro-Pak terrorist outfits/ Pak ISI which includes strengthening border management to check infiltration, pro-active action against terrorists with J&K; gearing up intelligence machinery; greater functional integration through an institutional framework of Operation Group and Intelligence Group of the UHQ at all levels, improve technology, weapons and equipment for security forces and action as per law against over-ground supporters of the terrorists.

The strategies, tactics and dynamic deployment to counter the terrorists are constantly reviewed, refined and monitored at various levels in the State and the Central Government.

As a part of conjoint efforts to curb terrorism, commensurate with a multi-pronged strategy, the Government continues to provide all possible support to the State Government in terms of financial help, security force manpower, technical and intelligenace related assistance.

(c) Prevention of Terrorism Act, 2002, provides an effective framework of law to deal with the menace of terrorism. The Act contains provisions, which harmonise, to the extent possible, the safeguards for civil liberties within security imperatives. Some of the provisions in the Act relate to offences by terrorist organizations, financing of terrorisms etc.

The said Act has strengthened the hands of the law enforcement agencies and Governments in containing the activities of terrorists and their organizations effectively.

NHRC orders on police torture

4269. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NHRC ordered to U.P. Government to pay Rs. 5 lakh to a victim of police torture last year-end;

(b) if so, the complete details of this case;

(c) the details of such incidents in different parts of the country that have come to the notice of NHRC;